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(Rochester)

Washington 24, D. C.  
19 October 1953

Dear John:

I am enclosing the letter we discussed. It is all right to go as is when you have made the proper translation.

Other details of the possible meeting are still undetermined, but I expect they will be worked out before long.

I should be interested in learning what the results of your New York visit were and what progress was made.

I am still in the market for a girl with shorthand, typing, Bulgarian, and English, or at least the last three qualities.

Let me know when you send the enclosed letter and any other thoughts you may have regarding the proposed meeting.

Sincerely,

Enclosure

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Dear \_\_\_\_\_:

On receipt of your last letter, I tried to contact my acquaintances in Free Europe. I regret to say that the situation is more complicated than I suspected, because I had not engaged in such matters in the past. I came out that my acquaintances are no longer on the committee. They advised me not to approach the committee because friction exists between the various factions themselves and the position of the committee has not yet been stabilized. Because of that I am convinced that this is not the right time to take the matter up with Free Europe.

In thinking over other possibilities, I remembered that a former teacher, whom I knew very well, is now a government official. I got in touch with him as soon as I could and he told me that such matters are difficult to arrange and that the government does not like to deal through middlemen in the discussion of similar problems, but prefers to handle these matters directly between the interested parties. In principle, he is willing, as the first step, to raise the question with the proper department of the government and to try to arrange a meeting between you and some person appointed by the authorities, which meeting will probably take place in the States. If you agree in principle to the above suggestion, please let me know so that I may be able to forward that to my friend.

In addition, my friend told me to be sure to underline the fact that you are expected not to talk about the questions which have been raised, or about the contents of this letter with (absolutely) anyone, including Mrs. \_\_\_\_\_. Besides, for the present, you should not apply for an American visa. This question will be considered upon receipt of your reply.

Because of the various conversations that I have had, I feel that as a private citizen, my participation in the settlement of these questions is not desirable; therefore, I shall be able to help you only until the suggested meeting takes place in order not to hinder the work.

Thank you for your offer to collect information from the former partisan. Unfortunately, I am no longer working for the MIT Center and therefore have no particular need of it except my personal interest in matters pertaining to our country.

Expecting your reply,

Sincerely,